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Title: ABRASIVE ARTICLE COMPRISING A STRUCTURED

DIAMOND-LIKE CARBON COATING AND METHOD OF USING

SAME TO MECHANICALLY TREAT A SUBSTRATE

RESPONSE

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This is in response to the outstanding Office Action, mailed April 17, 2003, in the above-identified application.

Under the provisions of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), Applicant petitions to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application. The requested extension and appropriate fee are as follows:

37 CFR § 1.17(a)(1) - Extension within first month

37 CFR § 1.17(a)(2) - Extension within second month

37 CFR § 1.17(a)(3) - Extension within third month

37 CFR § 1.17(a)(4) - Extension within fourth month.

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